

Amendments to the Claims

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

1 - 47. (Cancelled)

48. (New) A shock absorber adjusting device comprising:

a handle with a proximal end and a distal end;

a head coupled to said distal end and defining an engaging member that is configured to couple to a shock absorber adjustment nut to facilitate rotation thereof, at least a portion of said engaging member defines a curvilinear race with pawls forming at least a portion of said race;
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a ratcheting mechanism cooperative with said engaging member such that upon ratcheting rotation of said device about a substantially longitudinal axis of said shock absorber, said shock absorber adjustment nut can be rotated through said pawls that make up said ratcheting mechanism; and

an adapter ring configured to fit within said engaging member, said adapter ring comprising a plurality of teeth disposed around the outer periphery thereof, said adapter ring teeth configured to engage said pawls to make said adapter ring rotatably responsive to rotation of said head, said adapter ring further comprising a plurality of detents projecting from said adapter ring to define a castellated shape thereby, said detents configured to be substantially aligned with corresponding slots in said shock absorber adjustment nut such that said shock absorber adjustment nut is rotatably responsive to said adapter ring.

49. (New) A shock absorber adjusting assembly comprising:

a wrench comprising:

a handle;

an engaging member coupled to said handle, said engaging member comprising a closed end disposed adjacent said handle and an open end disposed away from said closed end; and

a ratcheting mechanism cooperative with said engaging member such that pawls making up said ratcheting mechanism form at least a portion of a race in said engaging member; and

an adapter ring configured to couple said engaging member to a nut disposed on a shock absorber, said adapter ring configured to be removably disposed in said engaging member, said adapter ring comprising a plurality of teeth disposed around the periphery thereof, said teeth configured to engage said pawls to make said adapter ring rotatably responsive to rotation of said wrench, said adapter ring further comprising a plurality of detents projecting axially from said adapter ring to define a castellated shape thereby, said detents configured to be substantially alignable with corresponding slots in said nut such that said nut is rotatably responsive to said adapter ring.